RAJYA SABHA

Monday, the 14th March, 1988/24 Phalguna, 1909 (Saka)

The House met at eleven of the clock, the **Deputy Chairman** in the Chair.

ORAL ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

*261. [*The questioner (Shri Jagadish Jani) was absent. For answer* vide *col.* 30 *infra*].

New Industrial Projects for Rajasthan

*262. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state :

(a) what are the details of industrial projects in Rajasthan, at present which have been assisted by the Central Government;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up such new projects in the State during 1988-89 and 1989-90, particularly in Bhilwara district; and

(c) if so, by when these projects are likely to be set up ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM) : (a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement

(a) The emphasis during the Seventh Five Year Plan period is to maximise the utilisation of the existing facilities through re-structuring, improved productivity, upgradation of technology and modernisation of the existing units rather than setting up of new units. A list of the important ongoing industrial projects in Central Sector in Rajasthan for which outlays have been provided in the Seventh Five Year Plan is attached as Annexure. (*See* below).

(b) and (c) The Annual outlay for the different projects for each financial year is determined after reviewing their progress every year. Hindustan Zinc Ltd. has an integrated proposal to develop the Zinc-Lead Ore deposits of Rampura-Agucha in District Bhilwara to mine and beneficiate 2500 tonnes ore per day and to set up a new smelter at Chanderiya in Chittorgarh District with a capacity to produce 70,000 tonnes zinc and 35,000 tonnes lead per annum. The firm cost estimates for the project are expected to be submitted to the Government in April, 1988. A provision of Rs. 32 crores has been made for this project during 1988-89. The total estimated period for construction of the project is four years from the date of sanction.

Annexure

List of the industrial projects in Central sector in Rajasthan included in tht Seventh Five Year Plan.

S. No.	Name of Undertakings|Unit| Scheme
1.	*Hindustan Copper Ltd.*
	(a) Gas Turbine at Khetri Copper Project
	(b) Modernisation and debottlenecking of smelter and refinery at Khetri Copper Complex.
2.	*Hindustan Zinc Ltd.*
	(a) Rajpura Dariba Mine
	(b) Leach Residue Treatment Plant at Debari.
	(c) Rampura-Agueha Integrated Project.
	(d) DG Sets for existing Units.
	(e) Modernisation of Zinc Smelter.
	(f) Feasibility study and exploration including Bamaniya Kalan Mine Project.
	(g) Environment Protection|Energy Conservation Scheme.
	(h) On stream Analyses Project at Zawar.
3.	*NDMC*
	Exploration for SMS grade limestone.

4. Pyrites, Phosphates and Chemicals Ltd.

5. Instrumentation Ltd. (Kota).

6. Hindustan Salts Ltd.

7. HMT Ltd. (various projects).

8. IDPL Joint Venture.

9. Heavy Water Plant, Kota.

10. Gas Turbine Project, Anta.

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : I would like the hon. Minister to explain the logic behind sending the raw material being mined at the sites in Bhilwara district to Chanderiya in Chittorgarh district, because as it is, Bhilwara is a very backward district and if the raw material which is available there, is taken to other districts, what is going to happen to people in Bhilwara where we expected some employment opportunities for the people if the industry is put up in Bhilwara district ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : We have studied the possibility of putting up this industry in four sites in Rajasthan. The possibility of evolving this technology is feasible in Chanderiya near Chittorgarh. The smelter plant is to be set up at Chanderiya because of economic considerations. At Rampura, water availability is sufficient only to meet the requirement of purification process and not for smelter. Further, a broad-gauge line is proposed to pass through Chanderiya. Otherwise, for these additional facilities, it is going to cost us Rs. 100 crores which would push up the cost of the finished product.

SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : I do not think people of Bhilwara would approve of this logic. I would request the Minister to reconsider. In the meantime, I would like to know from the hon. Minister as to what are the plans they have to stimulate employment in industry for the drought-affected people of Bhilwara region.

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : We have separate programmes for the drought-affected areas. Even the Khadi and Village Industries Commission is having some programmes for the drought-affected areas, including Rajasthan.

डा० रत्नाकर पाण्डेय : माननीय उपसभापति जी, मैं आपके माध्यम से माननीय मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूं कि इंडस्ट्री की एनसिलरी यूनिट्स के लिये उत्पादन की स्थिति क्या है? To what extent have these industries stimulated growth of small ancillary units ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : When we establish a new unit, naturally, ancillary units will come up there.

श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से जानना चाहता हूं इस प्रश्न के उत्तर में एए सूची दी गयी है— एक से दस प्रकार के उद्योग की, तो यह जो रुपये प्रश्नोत्तर में आवटित किये गये हैं वह सारी इंडस्ट्रीज के लिये है क्या ? और अगर हैं तो इतने रुपये में सारी इंडस्ट्रीज की स्थापना पूर्णरूपेण कब तक हो सकेगी ? चार वर्ष के दायरे में हो सकेगी क्या और अगर 4 वर्ष के दायरे में यही रुपया है तो इसका मूल्य कितना बढ़ जाएगा ? इसलिये मैं जानना चाहता हूं कि जो इंडस्ट्री बैकवर्ड एरिया मे है वह फल–फूल सकेगी या इसी तरफ से घिसटती चली जायेगी ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : Madam, the industries that we have given in the annexure are being established in Rajasthan only. We have allotted them funds and we have proposed some modernisation schemes for these schemes also. If the hon. Member is interested, I will pass on the information to him.

श्री जगदम्बी प्रसाद यादव : खेतरी आज तक सफल नहीं हो सका । उसकी पोजीशन क्या है ?

SHRI B. L. PANWAR : Madam, I want to know, what are the fields of future industrial growth in the State of Rajasthan that have been identified by the Industries Minister ? Part (b) of my question is what is Rajasthan's share in the Centre's Plan for creating new production facilities in the electronics sector ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : As far as electronics sector is concerned, he is to address a separate question to the concerned Ministry. Regarding industrial development, the indicator is the distribution of money by the financial institutions in the State. If you see the figures given by the Industrial Finance Corporation of India, Rajasthan stands seventh in all India.

श्री सुरेन्द्रजीत सिंह अहलूवालिया : उपसभापति महोदया, आपके माध्यम से मैं पूंछना चाहता हूं कि राजस्थान में पिछले चार वर्ष से जो सूखा पड़ा है उस के कारण क्या इंडस्ट्रियल ग्रोथ में कोई असर पड़ा है या उसमें कोई कटौती की गयी है ?

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : Madam, so far it has not affected, we have to wait and see the consequences of drought a little later.

SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH : Madam the two Members have put this specific question and I would like to repeat the same that in backward areas like Rajasthan when you create any kind of industry, what is the benefit given to the population round about that area ? It can only be through ancillary industry, if you find it out and establish it. I would specifically like to know from the hon. Minister whether he is serious enough to find out the ancillary industries and build them up round about these projects so that the population round about that area can be benefited. I expect a reply from the hon. Minister on this point.

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO) : Madam, for granting licences and letters of intent we are putting a condition that they must start ancillary industries around the unit to create more employment in the rural areas.

ठाकुर जगत पाल सिंह : उपसभापति महोदया, मैं आपके माध्यम से पूंछना चाहता हूं कि जो ऐंसिलियेरी यूनिट्स हैं और जहां-जहां और लगाई जा रही है उनके टर्म्स एंड कंडीशंस में क्या यह लिखा हुआ है कि चार साल के बाद ओपेन टेंडर्स होंगे । क्या उन ऐंसिलियेरी यूनिट्स को फर्स्ट प्रेफरेंस दिया जाएगा ।

SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM : This is a good suggestion. We will consider whether preference can be given or not.

THAKUR JAGATPAL SINGH : It is not a suggestion. I asked a direct question whether you will give preference to those ancillaries or not.

Price rise of petrol

*263. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a steep fall in the international prices of oil but in spite of this the prices of petroleum have recently been increased by Government; and

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) and (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Statement

Crude oil prices in the international market started falling from December, 1985 from a benchmark level of $ 27/bbl and stabilised around $ 18/bbl by January, 1987. Under the administered pricing policy for petroleum products, prices are not generally revised with changes in international prices. The price of petrol was increased in January, 1988 to curb the rapid rise in its consumption and to promote its efficient and economic use.

DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Madam, the Minister in his statement has said nothing. There had been a steady increase in petrol price each year, the third since the present Government came to power. The